GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4007
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2002
RESERVATION IN IARI
RAGHURAJ SINGH SHAKYA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of reserved posts for Backward Classes (Administrative, Scientific and Technical) lying vacant in the Indian Agriculture Research Institute between 1999 to 2002;

(b) the efforts made to fill up these vacancies;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken against guilty officers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Scientific: The instructions on reservations in the scientific cadre have been made applicable for direct recruitment at the entry grade only i.e. Scientists in the pay scale of Rs. 8000-13500. On the directions of the Hon`ble CAT the reservations for various categories at the entry level is made discipline wise since 1994.

Thus, the vacancies were announced discipline wise irrespective of the actual occurrence of vacancies at the entry level in the various units of the Council. Therefore, the actual number of vacancies reserved for backward classes in IARI cannot be specified.

Technical: Twenty posts are lying vacant between 1999 to 2002 for the Other Backward Classes.

Administrative: Seven posts are lying vacant between 1999 to 2002 for Other Backward Classes.

(b) & (c): As far as recruitment to the scientific positions at the entry level is concerned, the Council has been holding annually the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) Examinations and the reservations are made discipline wise as per the directions of the Hon`ble CAT. The Council has also conducted three Special Recruitment Drives exclusively for filling up vacancies in the reserved categories.

The vacant positions for filling up by direct recruitment in the technical and administrative category including those reserved for Other Backward Classes could not be filled up due to Govt. of India orders contained in the Department of Expenditure O.M. No. 7(3)/E(Coord)/99 dated 5.8.99 on Expenditure Management and providing ban on filling up of vacant posts and orders contained in the Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 2/8/2001-PIC dated 16.5.2001 providing for annual recruitment plan by restricting direct recruitment to 1/3rd of the total vacancies subject to further ceiling of 1% of the total sanctioned strength of the Department.

(d) Question does not arise.